



**House Bill No. 5222**

**Public Act No. 09-119**

***AN ACT CONCERNING CHARITABLE DONATION BINS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2009*) No person shall place or cause to be placed in a public place a donation bin for the donation of clothing or other articles unless such person has been granted permission to place such donation bin in such public place by the owner of such public place or by such owner's duly authorized agent and unless such bin contains a notice in block letters at least two inches high stating: (1) If the donation is for a charitable purpose, the name of the nonprofit organization that will benefit from the donation and that the public may contact the Department of Consumer Protection for further information, or (2) if not intended for a charitable purpose, that such donation is not for a charitable purpose. Such notice shall be on the same side of the bin where the donation is likely to be made. As used in this section, "public place" means any area that is used or held out for use by the public, whether owned or operated by public or private interests and "donation bin" means a large container commonly placed in a parking lot for the purpose of encouraging individuals to donate clothing or other items.

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